



Superior Court of California County of Santa Clara

2008/2009 CIVIL GRAND JURY APPLICATION AND NOMINATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT IN BLACK INK OR TYPE

☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms.

1. Name: _____ Sex: ☐ M ☐ F
Last First Middle

2. Residence Address: _____
Street City Zip

3. Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____

Fax Number: () _____ E-mail: _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ Place of Birth: _____

Drivers License or State ID Number: _____

Indicate your ethnic derivation by checking one of the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian or Alaska Native | <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic/Latino |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian | <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American | <input type="checkbox"/> White |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Race or ethnicity; please state: _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Decline to answer | |

4. Employment Status: ☐ Presently Employed
☐ Not Employed
☐ Retired

If Presently Employed,
5. Occupation: _____ Employer: _____

6. Business Address: _____
Street City Zip

Business Phone: () _____

Please provide **DETAILED (PRESENT and/or PAST)** employment and educational background information – on separate sheet of paper.

Last Name: _____

7. Name of Spouse: _____

Spouse's Occupation/Employer: _____



Pursuant to California Rules of Court, Rule 989.3 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), the Superior Court of California, County of Santa Clara, does not discriminate against persons with disabilities.

8. Do you require any accommodations for a mental or physical condition (including impaired hearing, eyesight or mobility) to enable you to participate in the application process or as a Grand Juror? (Please explain)

9. Are you contemplating any absence from Santa Clara County in the Fiscal Year 2008/2009, which might interfere with your performance as a Grand Juror?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes:

Departure Date: _____ Return Date: _____

If selected as one of the finalists, will you be able to attend the Drawing/Impanelment Ceremony on Thursday, June 26, 2008 at 2 PM?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(Attendance is Mandatory)

Please Note: A training program pursuant to Penal Code § 914, for the 2008/2009 Civil Grand Jury is scheduled for the week of July 7. It is mandatory that each of the 19 persons selected for the 2008/2009 Civil Grand Jury and the first three alternates attend these meetings.

Will you be able to attend all of the training sessions? ☐ Yes ☐ No

10. Are you currently serving as an elected public official? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Title: _____ Date term ends: _____

11. Are you related to or closely associated with any elected official or public employee?

☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes, please give name and explain relationship:

Last Name: _____

12. Have you ever been convicted of any of the following?

Malfeasance in Office	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Felony	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Misdemeanor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

If you have answered "yes," to any of the above please give details below:

Please note that a misdemeanor conviction is not an automatic bar to acceptance of application. Each case is considered individually and confidentially.

Offense	City/State	Date	Penalty

13. As a member of any profession or organization or as a holder of any office, have you ever been suspended, disbarred or otherwise disqualified?

☐ Yes ☐ No

14. If selected as a grand juror, you will be required to swear or to affirm the following obligation:

"I do solemnly swear or affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the State of California, and all laws made pursuant to and in conformity therewith, will diligently inquire into, and true presentment make, of all public offenses against the people of this state, committed or triable within this county, of which the Grand Jury shall have or can obtain legal evidence. Further, I will not disclose any evidence brought before the Grand Jury, nor anything which I or any other grand juror may say, nor the manner in which I or any other grand juror may have voted on any matter before the Grand Jury. I will keep the charge that will be given to me by the court."

Have you any objections to taking such an oath or affirmation?

☐ Yes ☐ No

Last Name: _____

15. Are you a citizen of the United States? ☐ Yes ☐ No
16. Do you read and understand English? ☐ Yes ☐ No
17. Are you 18 years or older and will you have been a resident of the State of California and of the County of Santa Clara for at least one year as of June 26, 2008? ☐ Yes ☐ No
18. Are you a registered voter? ☐ Yes ☐ No
19. Are you able and willing to define and evaluate issues without expressing personal bias? ☐ Yes ☐ No
20. Are you aware that the Grand Jury is required to publish a final report of issues they have investigated? ☐ Yes ☐ No
21. Are you willing to investigate county government issues and prepare reports on these issues? ☐ Yes ☐ No
22. If you are employed, does your employer understand the nature of the duties of a grand juror and will he/she release you to *full-time* grand jury service for the entire period that the jury shall be in session? ☐ Yes ☐ No

**If you are employed, a *written release verification* from employer
MUST BE ATTACHED TO THIS APPLICATION.**

**EMPLOYERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PAY WAGES TO CITIZENS SERVING ON THE CIVIL
GRAND JURY**

Last Name: _____

23. Why do you want to serve on the Grand Jury and what contributions would you hope to make as a member? (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

24. Please outline your knowledge and understanding of the role and function of the Grand Jury and the role and function of county government. (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

25. Please assist the Court in the evaluation of the Grand Jury recruitment program by indicating from which source you learned about service on the Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper (which?) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TV/Radio (which?) _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Gathering |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Referred by _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

I am in possession of all my natural faculties, of ordinary intelligence and of sound judgment and fair character. I certify under penalty of perjury, that all of the statements I have made are true, complete and accurate.

Executed at _____, California.
City

Signature: _____ Dated: _____

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The above candidate is suitable, competent and qualified to serve as a grand juror, for the Fiscal Year 2008/2009 under Sections 893 and 896 of the California Penal Code. I have discussed the requirements for Grand Jury service and have ascertained availability for service.

Date

Catherine A. Gallagher
Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
State of California, County of Santa Clara

Last Name: _____

STATEMENT

I, _____, understand that my name may be placed in nomination to be considered for membership on the Civil Grand Jury of Santa Clara County for the Fiscal Year 2008/2009.

I understand that the term will be from June 26, 2008 to June 25, 2009.

I am aware that such service requires that I be in attendance a minimum of 20 – 25 hours per week and frequently more. In this regard, I understand that as a grand juror I must be flexible and able to serve some evening and weekend hours as well as working during normal business hours. I declare, pursuant to Penal Code § 896(a), that I will be available to serve during those required hours.

Each member of the Grand Jury shall be allowed twenty dollars (\$20.00) (taxable) for each day's attendance, either at general sessions or committee assignments of the Grand Jury. Mileage expense (non taxable) is compensated at the rate payable to employees of the County of Santa Clara for each mile actually and necessarily traveled for purposes of said sessions or committee work.

Now, therefore, I have read and understand the above and I hereby state that I have no commitments which would prevent me from meeting the requirements for service on the Santa Clara County Civil Grand Jury.

I recognize that my attendance will be expected and may be required by the Foreperson of the Grand Jury.

I fully understand that the Civil Grand Jury staff will conduct a background check through the District Attorney's Office and the Department of Justice.

I therefore request that I be considered as a candidate for the Civil Grand Jury of Santa Clara County for the Fiscal Year 2008/2009.

Signature (Full Name)

Date

REMINDER: Please provide **DETAILED (PRESENT and/or PAST) employment and educational background information.**

Please be sure to **sign** and return this completed application to:

**Gloria Alicia Chacón
Court Manager, Civil Grand Jury
Santa Clara County Superior Court
191 North First Street
San Jose, California 95113**

Web Site address: www.sccsuperiorcourt.org/jury/gj.html

Deadline for submission of applications:
5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 5, 2008